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SUBJECT: Mr. [] Attendance at New Naval War College Course

1. The Naval War College is in the process of revising its courses, combining two former courses entitled "Strategy and Logistics" and "Strategy and Tactics," into a new two year curriculum in Naval Warfare.

2. The First Year of the new course is designed for Naval officers with 15-20 years of commissioned service. It is also proposed to place in this half of the course, the representatives of civilian agencies, (except State) who annually send one man to the college, namely, CIA, AEC, OEG.

3. The Second Year of the new course is for men with 20-24 years of commissioned service. The State Department's annual representative will be expected to attend this half. Apparently most men will not take the two years successively.

4. Our Mr. [] was nominated by letter to the Honorable J. H. Smith, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Air, to attend the First Year, partly because of the Navy's recommendation that our representative should do so, and partly in the belief that the First Year embodied the material in the old "Strategy and Tactics" course.

5. As the course got under way, starting 23 August 1954, Mr. [] learned that his group was to be given the material formerly contained in the "Strategy and Logistics" course. He prefers to be transferred to the Second Year group who are taking the "Strategy and Tactics" half, and his office (OCI) believes that we should ask to have him change over.

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